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Commission on Moon, Mars and Beyond

Dear members of the Planetary Science Community,

On behalf of the President's Commission on Implementation of US Space Exploration Policy, we invite you to share your views at an open Discussion Forum to be held at the upcoming Lunar and Planetary Science Conference. Several members of the Commission will be present and we are eager to hear your views on implementation of the space exploration vision laid out by President Bush in January.

The forum will take place Monday evening, March 15, immediately following the NASA Headquarters Briefing, which begins at 5:30 PM in Salon B of the South Shore Harbour Resort & Conference Center (the conference site). During the discussion, we will present a very brief overview of the Commission's membership, charter and activities, and then open the floor for discussion. Anyone wishing to provide input to the Commission or engage in the community discussion may do so at that time. In order to accommodate all of those who wish speak, we must limit each contribution to 2 minutes in length (with no viewgraphs). However, the Commission also welcomes written input of greater length, and we encourage presenters to highlight their ideas and follow these up with more detailed written submissions to the Commission, either in hard copy or CD at the forum, or by sending electronic submissions to the email address given below for Laurie Leshin.

More information on the Commission, including our charter, membership, and schedule of upcoming public hearings can be found at our website:

http://www.moontomars.org

In this time of great promise for the future of space exploration, we encourage you to attend the Forum to express your views and provide your ideas.

Sincerely,

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